

Listing and Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) Method for isochronous file transfer in a network for transmission of audio/video data, comprising the steps, at the level of a client application, of:

- causing a client device to requesting the opening of an isochronous connection between a the client device and a source device;
- causing the client device to specifying a file to be transferred from the source device to the client device in an isochronous manner over the connection;
- causing the client device to specifying a starting point, within said file, and from which the transfer is to be carried out; and
- causing the client device to requesting initiation of the file transfer from the starting point.

2. (currently amended) Method according to claim 1, wherein said request for initiation is made to a file manager functional component module of the source device for managing a file system of isochronous files and asynchronous files on a recording medium holding the file to be transferred, wherein said file manager functional component module provides an application programmable interface for access by said client application.

Claims 3 to 6 (cancelled)

7. (previously presented) Method according to claim 1, wherein said starting point is specified in the request for opening the connection.

8. (currently amended) Device for connection to a network for transmission of A/V data, comprising:

- a recording medium for storing isochronous files; and
- a functional component module providing an application programmable interface for access to said recording medium by a client device wherein the application programmable interface comprises a method for transferring an

isochronous file over an isochronous connection to the client device starting from a starting point in the file, specified by the client device.

9. (currently amended) Device according to claim 8, wherein the application programmable interface comprises:

methods for acting upon isochronous connections and files;
methods for acting upon asynchronous connections and files; and
file type independent methods for acting upon both asynchronous and isochronous files.

10. (previously presented) Device according to claim 8 or 9, wherein the application programmable interface further comprises methods for acting upon directories of both asynchronous and isochronous files.

11. (currently amended) Method for isochronous file transfer in a network for transmission of audio/video data, at the level of a source device comprising a recording medium for storing isochronous files, comprising the steps of:

- receiving from a client device a method call ~~for~~ including a request to transmitting an isochronous file to the client device over an isochronous connection with the client device, from a starting point specified in the request; and
- initiating the file transfer from the starting point.

12. (currently amended) Method according to claim 11, wherein the called method is part of an application programmable interface of a file manager functional component module for managing the recording medium, and further comprising the step of having the source device establish, using its local registry service, a global directory comprising directories of all file manager functional component module compatible devices in the network.

13. (previously presented) Method according to claim 12, further comprising the step of including directories of devices managed by an AVDisc functional component module in the global directory.

14. (previously presented) Method according to claim 11, wherein the method call is a method call for setting up the isochronous connection.